

MINING NEWS Here and Elsewhere

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THE MOSSBACK ELECTS OFFICERS: WILL ISSUE \$400,000 BONDS FOR MILL

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Arizona Mossback mining company was held at the company's offices at the Mossback camp last Thursday. The old board of directors with one exception was re-elected, and is composed of the following shareholders: C. W. Maier, president; Will H. Holcomb, vice-president; Margaret E. Kempley, secretary and treasurer; J. W. Speidel, E. Garth Hearne, Lee C. Paul and C. H. Burlock. As all the business of the company could not be completed at this meeting Messrs. Hearne, Paul and Speidel went to the coast Thursday night and will return this evening. Another meeting of the board of directors and shareholders is to be held at the camp tomorrow, at which the outlines of a reorganization of the company will be tentatively agreed upon. The company purposes the issuance of \$400,000 in bonds, the money to be used in the construction of a big milling plant and other improvements. These bonds will be taken up by the shareholders, none of the issue going to the public.

The Arizona Mossback has one of the largest veins of milling ore in the San Francisco mining district, the Camp being situated some distance north of Oatman and west of Goldroad. The company has been operating the property for some time. The main shaft is now down 500 feet, the vein below the 300 showing immense possibilities in gold. Average samples of 63 feet of crosscut of the big vein on the 300 gave results above \$13 per ton, and the shaft showed still better results. From the 500 drifts and crosscuts are being run through the big ore mass and it will be but a few months until the property will be in shape to make a large output of high-grade milling ore. At no point where the vein has been cut into has gold not been found and in paying quantities.

Messrs. Speidel, Paul and Hearne are residents of Wheeling, W. Va., and are heavily interested in the success of the Mossback. From their examination and that of their engineer they believe they have one of the greatest gold properties of the coast. This view is borne out by the opinion of Manager Phelps, of the Tom Reed mines, who is of the opinion that when properly developed and equipped it ought to be an immense producer.

The company has opened offices in Kingman and hereafter the business of the concern will be directed from this place.

APPLICATION FOR PATENT
Among the mining claims that have been passed through the Surveyor General's office for patent are the Protection, the Protection No. 1 and Protection No. 2 lodes in the Peacock Mining district, this county. These claims are close to Hackberry and are the property of the Hackberry Con. Mining Co.

A Stone That is Elastic
There is a stone that is as flexible as rubber and that, when set up on edge in a thick plate, sways to and fro in the wind like a piece of leather. This stone is called itakolumite and the Scientific American says it is the mother rock of Brazilian diamonds.

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RANKIN BUYS YAVAPAI MINE

Col. J. C. Rankin, who left Kingman for Prescott last week, is reported to have purchased the McCabe and Gladstone mines, in Yavapai county. Connected with Col. Rankin in the transaction is Charles Batre, a well-known mining man of that section. The McCabe is one of the best known mines of Yavapai county, having been worked extensively about 20 years ago. The vein system is the same as the Henrietta and the Big Ledge. The Henrietta was sold by Col. J. Frank Wilson and associates many years ago to a corporation that developed it to a considerable depth and extracted many hundreds of thousands of dollars in gold and silver from it. The tailings of the McCabe were tried out by the late Michael Scanlon of this county, but with no success, the supposed chemist not being a chemist and the process installed being a farce. These tailings are being shipped to the Humboldt smelter, where good returns are being obtained from them.

PUT CABLES THROUGH DRILL HOLES IN ANACONDA

To obviate fire risks and other risks to miners consequent upon the presence of transmission cables in the operating shaft, the Anaconda Copper company has driven 3 1/2 inch diamond drill holes through solid rock to provide for carrying electric cables to the 1,200, 2,200 and 2,800 foot levels for operating pumps, blowers and fans.

The cable is three-conductor 400,000 circ. mil. with varnished cambric, 1/2 inch lead, and 0.18 inch galvanized steel wire. The over-all diameter is 2.03 inches, and the weight 16.6 pound per foot. The cable is suspended from a cable bell at the surface, and the greatest length of cable let down in one piece is 650 feet. The pumping loads supplied on the three levels are about 1,200 h. p., 1,000 h. p., and 900 h. p. respectively.

SHIPS BULLION

Last Tuesday evening J. B. McNaughton accompanied a big bar of bullion from Kingman to San Francisco, where Wells-Fargo company will turn it over to the government mint. The bullion was a ten-day run of the big United Eastern mill and was estimated to have a value in excess of \$60,000. The big mill continues to turn out bullion at the rate of about \$175,000 monthly and has enough ore in sight to maintain that production for years to come.

COMMISSION REAPPOINTED TO REVISE SCHOOL LAWS

The commission for the revision of the school laws of the state, which was brought into life by the legislative session two years ago and the members appointed by Gov. Campbell during his tenure of the office of governor, has been reappointed by Gov. Campbell. Governor Hunt, upon taking possession of the governorship chair, in 1918 discharged the commission, although it had about completed the work for which it had been formed. The commission is now composed of Charles F. Philbrook, superintendent of schools of Bisbee; John D. Loper, superintendent of schools of Phoenix; and W. L. Linville, superintendent of schools of Kingman, Arizona. The commission has turned in its report to Governor Campbell and will be incorporated in his recommendation to the legislature for the enactment of more modern school laws. It is probable that laws similar to that of California will not only be used for a basis for new school laws, but also for the other laws of the state, and especially in codification of all the laws.

Keep Your Tongue In, Bill
Young Bill Heck, who recently cut his tongue while shaving with a safety razor, is again able to talk.—Tipton Gazette.

CONDITIONS OF NEW MINERALS INDUSTRY

At the meeting of the manganese producers last week in Washington resolutions were passed, representing the opinion of delegates from 22 states, that the spirit and intent of the Minerals Control Act should be carried out as a matter of justice. The Secretary of the Interior was asked to render a final decision as to what might be done, and in response to a committee appointed to ascertain his views he explained that he felt that further legislation was necessary to give him full warrant to act under the changed conditions. He suggested that the Minerals Act be amended so that it might be applied for the liquidation of losses incurred by the producers of the war minerals.

It is a fact that millions of dollars have been spent by patriotic men in this country in the erection of plants for the production of potash and in developing other mineral resources, trusting in the faith and honor of the United States Government, and that under no circumstances would they spend a dollar on these enterprises in the face of the foreign competition which would have prevented such industries being developed profitably. They were urged and persuaded by many government agencies, including the Department of the Interior, to use strenuous efforts to provide these essentials for the nation, and it was universally understood that they would be protected by the War Minerals Bill that was then pending. How can the Administration explain its shortcoming if this obligation is not frankly and honestly met?

America should be made industrially independent. The collapse of these industries, now that they have been called into being, would exert a discouraging influence upon the people. It is necessary that they should be recompensed for the money they have lost, but back of that lies a patriotic effort for the national welfare that should meet with evidence of appreciation, and the only way to do this is to sustain the industries. It was stated at the meeting by Mr. Lord of the Department of Labor that a test of national strength is the ability to meet any emergency through cooperative effort, and that these responses by the mining people of the country should not be neglected by the Government. The industries were entitled to a chance to do their part for the future development of the country, and the Government was in duty bound to see that they had that chance. When the resources of America had been shown, in any instance, to be inadequate, it was time to see about importations to make good the deficiency. That applies to any industry. We do not want state socialism, but protection to the productive power of the country is not socialism; it is the protection to opportunity for private effort in order to make ourselves self-sustaining. It might seem, in a narrow view of self-interest, to some of the larger industries that they are being benefited by having cheap foreign raw materials accessible, but in the end they were preventing the growth of the country and of other industries that would make a combined demand that would more than offset the advantage of a little reduction in the first cost of a portion of their supplies.

As one means or insuring a balance of protection and encouragement of the related industries Mr. Lord insisted that it was as important that there should be unity of action among the owners of the mines as among the employees. Organization of the metal industries for mutual help would react advantageously upon every phase of the work. It would inspire confidence among the workers and facilitate cooperation for the highest industrial ends; it would terminate that kind of competition that makes the operators the easy victims of their own systems through the effort to grab the market away from others. In this system are the elements of self-destruction that create panics and prostration of business. A sane protective policy can be developed only by association of the interests that constitute the commercial strength of the country, and such association should have power to direct and regulate, and not merely to pass resolutions that depend upon the initiative of some one outside to make them effective.

While steps are being taken to secure an amendment to the Minerals Control Act in accordance with the expressed desire of Secretary Lane, this, if passed, would result only in reimbursing the miners for their outlay. It would have no effect upon the continuance of operations. It would leave us where we were before the outbreak of the war.

In 1917 the domestic product was only about one-sixth of the total consumption of manganese. This year it had grown to one-third, and next year it would come close to supplying our total requirements. During the first six months of this year, according to a communication from the United States Geological Survey, the output of this country was 136,554 tons of manganese ore, containing about 35 per cent of the metal, and ore of that grade was being shipped in October at the rate of 28,000 tons monthly, or 336,000 tons per year.—Manufacturers Record.

CAMPBELL AND SCOTT WILL OPERATE ELKHART

Campbell and Scott are reported to have taken options on the Argyle and Elkhart mines at Chloride. The Argyle has already been taken over by these people and F. A. Wright of the Elkhart has been expected here to close the deal on that property. Mr. Campbell is a New York man, while Mr. Scott has been at the camp the past several months.

The Elkhart was at one time one of the big properties of Chloride, but it was badly managed and the expenses made it impossible to operate at a profit, although the mine was able to produce thousands of tons of good milling grade ore. The mine still has great ore bodies in sight that can be mined profitably under present conditions, although flotation will have to be added to the mill equipment.

The Argyle mine is said to be a promising property, and between the two we hope to see a large force of men employed and a wide range of development undertaken.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE BY SHERIFF

No. — Sheriff's Sale.
Jules S. Bache, Plaintiff, vs. Murdock Mining and Milling Company, a Corporation, Defendant.

Under and by virtue of an order of sale and decree of foreclosure and sale, issued out of the Superior Court of the County of Mohave, of the State of Arizona, on the 13th day of January, A. D. 1919, in the above entitled action, wherein Jules S. Bache, the above named plaintiff, obtained a judgment and decree of foreclosure and sale against Murdock Mining and Milling Company, a Corporation, defendant, on the 13th day of January, A. D. 1919, for the sum of Twenty Thousand and one Twenty five One Hundredths (\$20,991.25) Dollars in United States gold coin, including interest, costs, and counsel fees, which said decree was, on the 17th day of January, A. D. 1919, recorded in the County Recorder's office of said County, in Book 12, Miscellaneous Records, I am commanded to sell those certain lots, pieces or parcels of land, situate, lying and being in the County of Mohave, State of Arizona, and bounded and described as follows:

All those certain mining claims with the machinery, tools and all other improvements located thereon, situated in the San Francisco Mining District, County of Mohave, State of Arizona, and more particularly described as follows:
Oasis—Midget No. 2—Midget 3—Blue Bird No. 1—Blue Bird No. 2—Blue Bird No. 3—Black Hawk No. 1—Black Hawk No. 2—Black Hawk No. 3. Recorded in the office of the County Recorder in Book 11 of Mines at pages 218-219-220-221-222-223-224-225-226-227-228-229-230-231-232-233-234-235-236-237-238-239-240-241-242-243-244-245-246-247-248-249-250-251-252-253-254-255-256-257-258-259-260-261-262-263-264-265-266-267-268-269-270-271-272-273-274-275-276-277-278-279-280-281-282-283-284-285-286-287-288-289-290-291-292-293-294-295-296-297-298-299-300-301-302-303-304-305-306-307-308-309-310-311-312-313-314-315-316-317-318-319-320-321-322-323-324-325-326-327-328-329-330-331-332-333-334-335-336-337-338-339-340-341-342-343-344-345-346-347-348-349-350-351-352-353-354-355-356-357-358-359-360-361-362-363-364-365-366-367-368-369-370-371-372-373-374-375-376-377-378-379-380-381-382-383-384-385-386-387-388-389-390-391-392-393-394-395-396-397-398-399-400-401-402-403-404-405-406-407-408-409-410-411-412-413-414-415-416-417-418-419-420-421-422-423-424-425-426-427-428-429-430-431-432-433-434-435-436-437-438-439-440-441-442-443-444-445-446-447-448-449-450-451-452-453-454-455-456-457-458-459-460-461-462-463-464-465-466-467-468-469-470-471-472-473-474-475-476-477-478-479-480-481-482-483-484-485-486-487-488-489-490-491-492-493-494-495-496-497-498-499-500-501-502-503-504-505-506-507-508-509-510-511-512-513-514-515-516-517-518-519-520-521-522-523-524-525-526-527-528-529-530-531-532-533-534-535-536-537-538-539-540-541-542-543-544-545-546-547-548-549-550-551-552-553-554-555-556-557-558-559-560-561-562-563-564-565-566-567-568-569-570-571-572-573-574-575-576-577-578-579-580-581-582-583-584-585-586-587-588-589-590-591-592-593-594-595-596-597-598-599-600-601-602-603-604-605-606-607-608-609-610-611-612-613-614-615-616-617-618-619-620-621-622-623-624-625-626-627-628-629-630-631-632-633-634-635-636-637-638-639-640-641-642-643-644-645-646-647-648-649-650-651-652-653-654-655-656-657-658-659-660-661-662-663-664-665-666-667-668-669-670-671-672-673-674-675-676-677-678-679-680-681-682-683-684-685-686-687-688-689-690-691-692-693-694-695-696-697-698-699-700-701-702-703-704-705-706-707-708-709-710-711-712-713-714-715-716-717-718-719-720-721-722-723-724-725-726-727-728-729-730-731-732-733-734-735-736-737-738-739-740-741-742-743-744-745-746-747-748-749-750-751-752-753-754-755-756-757-758-759-760-761-762-763-764-765-766-767-768-769-770-771-772-773-774-775-776-777-778-779-780-781-782-783-784-785-786-787-788-789-790-791-792-793-794-795-796-797-798-799-800-801-802-803-804-805-806-807-808-809-810-811-812-813-814-815-816-817-818-819-820-821-822-823-824-825-826-827-828-829-830-831-832-833-834-835-836-837-838-839-840-841-842-843-844-845-846-847-848-849-850-851-852-853-854-855-856-857-858-859-860-861-862-863-864-865-866-867-868-869-870-871-872-873-874-875-876-877-878-879-880-881-882-883-884-885-886-887-888-889-890-891-892-893-894-895-896-897-898-899-900-901-902-903-904-905-906-907-908-909-910-911-912-913-914-915-916-917-918-919-920-921-922-923-924-925-926-927-928-929-930-931-932-933-934-935-936-937-938-939-940-941-942-943-944-945-946-947-948-949-950-951-952-953-954-955-956-957-958-959-960-961-962-963-964-965-966-967-968-969-970-971-972-973-974-975-976-977-978-979-980-981-982-983-984-985-986-987-988-989-990-991-992-993-994-995-996-997-998-999-1000-1001-1002-1003-1004-1005-1006-1007-1008-1009-1010-1011-1012-1013-1014-1015-1016-1017-1018-1019-1020-1021-1022-1023-1024-1025-1026-1027-1028-1029-1030-1031-1032-1033-1034-1035-1036-1037-1038-1039-1040-1041-1042-1043-1044-1045-1046-1047-1048-1049-1050-1051-1052-1053-1054-1055-1056-1057-1058-1059-1060-1061-1062-1063-1064-1065-1066-1067-1068-1069-1070-1071-1072-1073-1074-1075-1076-1077-1078-1079-1080-1081-1082-1083-1084-1085-1086-1087-1088-1089-1090-1091-1092-1093-1094-1095-1096-1097-1098-1099-1100-1101-1102-1103-1104-1105-1106-1107-1108-1109-1110-1111-1112-1113-1114-1115-1116-1117-1118-1119-1120-1121-1122-1123-1124-1125-1126-1127-1128-1129-1130-1131-1132-1133-1134-1135-1136-1137-1138-1139-1140-1141-1142-1143-1144-1145-1146-1147-1148-1149-1150-1151-1152-1153-1154-1155-1156-1157-1158-1159-1160-1161-1162-1163-1164-1165-1166-1167-1168-1169-1170-1171-1172-1173-1174-1175-1176-1177-1178-1179-1180-1181-1182-1183-1184-1185-1186-1187-1188-1189-1190-1191-1192-1193-1194-1195-1196-1197-1198-1199-1200-1201-1202-1203-1204-1205-1206-1207-1208-1209-1210-1211-1212-1213-1214-1215-1216-1217-1218-1219-1220-1221-1222-1223-1224-1225-1226-1227-1228-1229-1230-1231-1232-1233-1234-1235-1236-1237-1238-1239-1240-1241-1242-1243-1244-1245-1246-1247-1248-1249-1250-1251-1252-1253-1254-1255-1256-1257-1258-1259-1260-1261-1262-1263-1264-1265-1266-1267-1268-1269-1270-1271-1272-1273-1274-1275-1276-1277-1278-1279-1280-1281-1282-1283-1284-1285-1286-1287-1288-1289-1290-1291-1292-1293-1294-1295-1296-1297-1298-1299-1300-1301-1302-1303-1304-1305-1306-1307-1308-1309-1310-1311-1312-1313-1314-1315-1316-1317-1318-1319-1320-1321-1322-1323-1324-1325-1326-1327-1328-1329-1330-1331-1332-1333-1334-1335-1336-1337-1338-1339-1340-1341-1342-1343-1344-1345-1346-1347-1348-1349-1350-1351-1352-1353-1354-1355-1356-1357-1358-1359-1360-1361-1362-1363-1364-1365-1366-1367-1368-1369-1370-1371-1372-1373-13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